

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend Claims 1, 4 and 6 as follows:

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1. (Amended) An information processing apparatus comprising:

reading means for reading image information including character data including a name and a phone number recorded on a recording medium;

image memory means for storing image information;

image memory control means for controlling said image memory means to store the image information read by said reading means;

recognizing means for recognizing a character train included in the image information read by said reading means;

extracting means for extracting the name and the phone number from the character train recognized by said recognizing means;

character memory means for storing the name and the phone number;

[image memory control means for controlling said image memory means to store the image information read by said reading means;]

character memory control means for controlling said character memory means to store the name and the phone number extracted by said extracting means; and

[searching means for searching a plurality of names and phone numbers, stored in said character memory means, for a desired name and phone number; and

display means for displaying the desired name and phone number searched by said searching means, the corresponding image information stored in said image memory means and the name and the phone number extracted by said extracting means] display control means for controlling a display device to display the image information read by said reading means and a recognition result obtained by said recognizing means.

4. (Amended) An information processing apparatus comprising:

manual means for entering, correcting or changing character data;

reading means for reading first image information including character data including a name and a phone number recorded on a recording medium and second image information not including the name and the phone number;

recognizing means for recognizing a character train included in the first image information read by said reading means;

pick-up means for picking up the name and the phone number from the character train recognized by said recognizing means;

registering means for registering the name and the phone number;

memory control means for controlling said
registering means to register the name and phone number in
accordance with the name and phone number picked up by said
pick-up means and for allowing said manual means to correct
or change the registered name and phone number;

[display means for displaying the phone number
searched by said searching means and for displaying the name
and phone number registered in said registering means in
accordance with a type of the character data;

communication control means for transferring
the second image information from said reading means on the
basis of the desired phone number; and

storage means for storing a document,

wherein said communication control means
performs control of transmission of the document on the basis
of the desired phone number] display control means for
controlling a display device to display the first image
information read by said reading means and the name and the
phone number picked up by said pick-up means; and

correction means for correcting the name and
the phone number displayed on the display device in
accordance with the character data entered by said manual
means.

6. (Amended) An information processing apparatus
comprising:

reading means for reading first image
information including character data including a name and a

phone number recorded on a recording medium and second image information not including the name and the phone number;

recognizing means for recognizing a character train included in the first and second image information read by said reading means;

pick-up means for picking up the name and the phone number from the character train recognized by said recognizing means;

registering means for registering the name and the phone number;

memory control means for controlling said registering means to register the name and the phone number in accordance with the name and phone number picked up by said pick-up means and for causing said registering means to register a plurality of such names and phone numbers and for allowing said apparatus to manually correct or change the registered names and phone numbers;

searching means for searching the plurality of phone numbers registered in said registering means for a desired phone number in accordance with a desired, corresponding name;

display means for displaying the [plurality of phone numbers searched by said searching means] first image information read by said reading means and a recognition result obtained by said recognizing means;

selecting means for selecting one of the plurality of phone numbers;

communication control means for performing facsimile communication for the second image information on the basis of the one phone number selected by said selecting means; and

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storage means for storing a document to be transmitted,

wherein said communication control means performs control of transmission of the document to be transmitted on the basis of the desired phone number searched for by said searching means.

Please add Claims 18-23 as follows:

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18. An apparatus according to Claim 1, further comprising first determination means for determining whether information based on the recognition result obtained by said recognizing means is to be registered.

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19. An apparatus according to Claim 1, further comprising second determination means for determining whether the image information read by said reading means and information based on the recognition result obtained by said recognizing means are to be registered.

20. An apparatus according to Claim 1, further comprising manual means for correcting the recognition result obtained by said recognizing means.

21. An apparatus according to Claim 1, further comprising instruction means for providing an instruction for instructing said reading means to read the image information, the instruction being provided on a display screen of the display device.

22. An apparatus according to Claim 1, further comprising the display device.

23. An apparatus according to Claim 22, further comprising instruction means for providing an instruction for instructing said reading means to read the image information, the instruction being provided on a display screen of said display device.

REMARKS

This application has been carefully reviewed in light of the Office Action dated June 10, 1997. Claims 1, 3-6 and 9-23 are now presented for examination. Claims 18-23 have been added to ensure Applicants of a more complete measure of the protection to which they deem themselves entitled. Claims 1, 4 and 6, the independent claims, have been amended to define still more clearly what Applicants regard as their invention, in terms which distinguish over the art of record.

In the Office Action, Claims 1, 3-6 and 9-17 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, first paragraph, as